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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1650**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Ronald J. Berenson et al.
Application No. : 10/762,210
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For : ACTIVATION AND EXPANSION OF CELLS

Examiner : Leon B. Lankford, Jr.
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the final Office Action dated June 28, 2006, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on October 28, 2006. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.